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**ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS -
NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION (37 C.F.R. 1.27(C))**

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Applicant, Patentee, or Identifier: Aviva Biosciences Corporation

Application or Patent Number: To be determined

Filed or Issued: Filed Herewith

Title: Methods and Compositions for Identifying Nucleic Acid Molecules Using Nucleaseolytic Activities and Hybridization

I assert that the nonprofit organization identified below is a nonprofit organization:

NAME OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION: Tsinghua University

ADDRESS OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION: Beijing
People's Republic of China 100084

TYPE OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION:

- [X] UNIVERSITY OR OTHER INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION LOCATED IN ANY COUNTRY: NAME OF COUNTRY: [People's Republic of China]
[] TAX EXEMPT UNDER INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE CODE (26 U.S.C. 501(a) and 501(c)(3))
[] NONPROFIT SCIENTIFIC OR EDUCATIONAL UNDER STATUTE OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
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I assert that the nonprofit organization identified above qualifies as a nonprofit organization for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office regarding the invention described in:

- [X] the specification filed herewith with title as listed above.
[] the application identified above.
[] the patent identified above.

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Each person, concern, or organization having any rights in the invention is listed below:

- [] no such person, concern, or organization exists.
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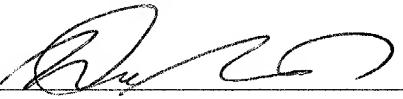
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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate.

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